



Lands with Wilderness Characteristics

Polygon 002



July 2013

FORM 1

Documentation of BLM Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Findings from Previous Inventory on Record

1. Is there existing BLM wilderness characteristics inventory information on all or part of this area?

No (Go to Form 2) **Yes X** (If yes, and if more than one area is within the area, list the unique identifiers for those areas.):

a) Inventory Source: Travel management inventory

b) Inventory Area Unique Identifier(s):

c) Map Name(s)/Number(s):

d) BLM District(s)/Field Office(s):

2. BLM Inventory Findings on Record:

Existing inventory information regarding wilderness characteristics (if more than one BLM inventory area is associated with the area, list each area and answer each question individually for each inventory area):

Inventory Source:

Area Unique Identifier	Sufficient Size? Yes/No (acres)	Naturalness? Yes/No	Outstanding Solitude? Yes/No	Outstanding Primitive & Unconfined Recreation? Yes/No	Supplemental Values? Yes/No
LWC Polygon 02	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

FORM 2

Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics

Area Unique Identifier **LWC Polygon 02** Acreage
(If the inventory area consists of subunits, list the acreage of each and evaluate each separately).

In completing steps (1)-(5), use additional space as necessary.

(1) Is the area of sufficient size? (If the area meets one of the exceptions to the size criterion, check "Yes" and describe the exception in the space provided below),

Yes **X** No

Note: If "No" is checked the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for the remaining questions below.

Description (describe the boundaries of the area--wilderness inventory roads, property lines, etc.): **The South western border follows a private border until BLM 2033 cuts north onto public land. At that point BLM 2033 serves as the southern border until it intersects with BLM 2065. At this intersection BLM 2065 travels north east and is followed to the point 02-050 located at the intersection between BLM 2065 and Moffat County Road 4S. The eastern border is made by County Road 4S until the point 02-053. From there an oil or gas access road is followed until a rock rim is reached. The rim then trades off with oil or gas access roads to make up the northern border. As this border is followed west it meets a section of state land that carries the border south back to an oil or gas access road.**

Fenceline or north to intersection.

The western border is made by county road 10W. This is followed until the State/private that began the border description is reached.

(2) Does the area appear to be natural?

Yes **X** No N/A

Note: If "No" is checked the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for the remaining questions below.

Description (include land ownership, location, topography, vegetation, and summary of major human uses/activities): **Below the northern rim that serves as part of the northern border, the view shed of oil or gas operations is blocked from views when within the borders of the area inventoried. Aside from the primitive routes described in the route analysis no Wilderness inventory roads. The man-made structures within the units are mostly concentrated around the southern border of the unit. A fence running along BLM 2056 and 2033 travels southwest within the unit, this is shown in the photos from the point 02-063. A retaining wall is present at the point 02-065. A couple of livestock corrals are present around the point 02-067. Then at the point 02-069 a fence travels across BLM 2033 into the area inventoried. With these exceptions the area appears to be affected primarily by the forces of nature.**

(3) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for solitude?

Yes

No

X

N/A

Description (describe the area's outstanding opportunities for solitude): **Due to the oil and gas operations that are currently taking place north of the area solitude is hard to find within LWC polygon 02. As a visitor travels south, opportunities for solitude increase.**

(4) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation?

Yes **X** No N/A

Note: If "No" is checked for both 3 and 4 the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for question 5.

Description (describe the area's outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation): **With Vermillion Creek and Shell creek having a confluence in the area, a high amount of moisture is present and attracts wildlife. The sheer cliffs that surround parts of the unit offer nesting areas for a variety of birds. The area provides outstanding opportunities for hunting or wildlife viewing. The area also provides opportunities for day hikes, horseback riding or backpacking**

(5) Does the area have supplemental values (ecological, geological, or other features of scientific, educational, scenic or historical value)?

Yes **X** No N/A

Description: **The high cliff walls found around the Sugarloaf butte are unique and supplemental. The valley bottom where the Vermillion creek and shell creek flow create a unique riparian area where tall grasses and green vegetation grew during the inventory process.**

Summary of Analysis*

Area Unique Identifier: 002

Summary

Results of analysis:

(Note: explain the inventory findings for the entirety of the inventory unit. When wilderness characteristics have been identified in an area that is smaller than the size of the total inventory unit, explain why certain portions of the inventory unit are not included within the lands with wilderness characteristics (e.g. the inventory found that certain parts lacked naturalness).

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|---|-----|-------------------------------------|----|-----|
| 1. Does the area meet any of the size requirements? | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | |
| 2. Does the area appear to be natural? | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | N/A |
| 3. Does the area offer outstanding opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation? | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | N/A |
| 4. Does the area have supplemental values? | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No | N/A |

Check one:

The area, or a portion of the area, has wilderness characteristics and is identified as lands with wilderness characteristics. ☒

The area does not have wilderness characteristics.

Prepared by (team members): Clint Mitchell

(Name, Title, Date)

Reviewed by (District or Field Manager):

Name: _____ **Title:** _____

Date: _____

WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS¹

(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road² for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes.)

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: **LWC Polygon 002**

Route or Route Segment³ Name and/or Identifier: **001**

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

I. LOCATION: Refer to attached map and BLM corporate data (GIS).
List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: **BLM 2033 traveling east from private property to Moffat county road 4S**

II. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose⁴ (if any) of Route: (Examples: Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine

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² Road: An access route which has been improved and maintained by mechanical means to insure relatively regular and continuous use. A way maintained solely by the passage of vehicles does not constitute a road.

a. Improved and maintained – Actions taken physically by people to keep the road open to vehicle traffic. “Improved” does not necessarily mean formal construction. “Maintained” does not necessarily mean annual maintenance.

b. Mechanical means – Use of hand or power machinery or tools.

c. Relatively regular and continuous use – Vehicular use that has occurred and will continue to occur on a relatively regular basis. Examples are: access roads for equipment to maintain a stock water tank or other established water sources, access roads to maintained recreation sites or facilities, or access roads to mining claims.

³ If a portion of a route is found to meet the wilderness inventory road criteria (see Part III) and the remainder does not meet these criteria (e.g., a cherrystem road with a primitive route continuing beyond a certain point), identify each segment and explain the rationale for the separate findings under pertinent criteria.

⁴ The purpose of a route is not a deciding factor in determining whether a route is a road for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes. The purpose of a route does provide context for factors on which such a determination may be based, particularly the question of whether maintenance of the route ensures relatively regular and continuous use. The purpose also helps to determine whether maintenance that may so far have been unnecessary to ensure such use would be approved by BLM when the need arises.

Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: **To allow ranching operations or public recreational opportunities on public land.**

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

1. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes No Unknown **X**

2. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

3. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes No Unknown or N/A **X**

Explain: **The road is used by the public regularly**

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

A. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:

Yes **X** (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked "yes" below) No (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked "no" below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes **X** No

Examples: Paved Bladed **X** Graveled Roadside Berms **X** Cut/Fill **X** Other

Describe: **Use of a blade for road construction was evident during the inventory process.**

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No **X** If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe: **Drainage structures can be seen along county road 10.**

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes **X** (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?
Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Explain:

2. If the route or route segment is in good⁵ condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable?
Yes **X** No

Explain **Due to the large amount of ranching operations that are accessed by BLM 2033, maintenance would be permitted on the route.**

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes **X** No

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).⁶

⁵ Good condition would be a condition that ensures regular and continuous use relative to the purposes of the route. Consider whether the route can be clearly followed in the field over its entire course and whether all or any portion of the route contains any impediments to travel.

⁶ Include estimate of travel rates for the stated purposes, e.g., trips/day or week or month or season or year or even multiple years in some facility maintenance cases.

No traffic was seen on BLM 2033 but truck tire tracks were seen, leading to estimation that the route is driven once every other week.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment⁷ meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes **X** = Wilderness Inventory Road
inventory purposes

No = Not a road for wilderness

Explanation⁸: **Due to the mechanical construction and signs of use BLM 2033 is a Wilderness Inventory Road.**

Evaluator(s): **Clint Mitchell**

Date: **07-08-2013**

WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS⁹

(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road¹⁰ for wilderness characteristics

⁷ If part of the route meets the wilderness inventory road definition and the remainder does not, describe the segment meeting the definition and any remaining portion not meeting the definition and why.

⁸ Describe and explain rationale for any discrepancies with citizen proposals.

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b. Mechanical means – Use of hand or power machinery or tools.

c. Relatively regular and continuous use – Vehicular use that has occurred and will continue to occur on a relatively regular basis. Examples are: access roads for equipment to maintain a stock water tank or other

inventory purposes.)

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: **LWC Polygon 002**

Route or Route Segment¹¹ Name and/or Identifier: **002**

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

III. LOCATION: Refer to attached map and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: **A primitive route to serve ranching operations by truck.**

IV. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose¹² (if any) of Route: (Examples: Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: **Traveling north east from BLM 2033 the route travels to fenced in corrals and feeding locations for livestock.**

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

4. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes No Unknown **X**

established water sources, access roads to maintained recreation sites or facilities, or access roads to mining claims.

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¹² The purpose of a route is not a deciding factor in determining whether a route is a road for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes. The purpose of a route does provide context for factors on which such a determination may be based, particularly the question of whether maintenance of the route ensures relatively regular and continuous use. The purpose also helps to determine whether maintenance that may so far have been unnecessary to ensure such use would be approved by BLM when the need arises.

5. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

6. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes No Unknown or N/A **X**

Explain: **The road is used by the public regularly**

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

B. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:

Yes (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked “yes” below) No **X** (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes No **X**

Examples: Paved Bladed Graveled Roadside Berms Cut/Fill Other

Describe:

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No **X** If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe:

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes **X** (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

3. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?
Yes No **X** If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Explain:

4. If the route or route segment is in good¹³ condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable?
Yes **X** No

Explain: **Allowing continued ranching operations would probably allow maintenance to take place on this route.**

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes **X** No

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).¹⁴

¹³ Good condition would be a condition that ensures regular and continuous use relative to the purposes of the route. Consider whether the route can be clearly followed in the field over its entire course and whether all or any portion of the route contains any impediments to travel.

¹⁴ Include estimate of travel rates for the stated purposes, e.g., trips/day or week or month or season or year or even multiple years in some facility maintenance cases.

No traffic was seen but tire tracks were seen during and are shown in the photo02-066 and appear to be from feeding cattle. The tracks lead to an estimation that the road is driven weekly when cattle are present.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment¹⁵ meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes = Wilderness Inventory Road No **X** = Not a road for wilderness inventory purposes

Explanation¹⁶: **Due to the lack of construction, maintenance and sporadic use, route 002 is not a Wilderness Inventory Road.**

Evaluator(s): **Clint Mitchell**

Date: **07-08-2013**

WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS¹⁷

(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road¹⁸ for wilderness characteristics

¹⁵ If part of the route meets the wilderness inventory road definition and the remainder does not, describe the segment meeting the definition and any remaining portion not meeting the definition and why.

¹⁶ Describe and explain rationale for any discrepancies with citizen proposals.

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b. Mechanical means – Use of hand or power machinery or tools.

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inventory purposes.)

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: **LWC Polygon 002**

Route or Route Segment¹⁹ Name and/or Identifier: **003**

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

- V. LOCATION: Refer to attached map _____ and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: **A two track traveling north west from BLM 2065**

VI. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose²⁰ (if any) of Route: (Examples: Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: **The track became overgrown with vegetation before a destination was discovered. A overlook viewing shell creek could be possible.**

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

7. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes No Unknown **X**

established water sources, access roads to maintained recreation sites or facilities, or access roads to mining claims.

¹⁹ If a portion of a route is found to meet the wilderness inventory road criteria (see Part III) and the remainder does not meet these criteria (e.g., a cherrystem road with a primitive route continuing beyond a certain point), identify each segment and explain the rationale for the separate findings under pertinent criteria.

²⁰ The purpose of a route is not a deciding factor in determining whether a route is a road for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes. The purpose of a route does provide context for factors on which such a determination may be based, particularly the question of whether maintenance of the route ensures relatively regular and continuous use. The purpose also helps to determine whether maintenance that may so far have been unnecessary to ensure such use would be approved by BLM when the need arises.

8. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

9. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes No Unknown or N/A **X**

Explain: **The road is used by the public regularly**

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

C. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:

Yes (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked “yes” below) No **X** (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes No **X**

Examples: Paved Bladed Graveled Roadside Berms Cut/Fill Other

Describe:

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No **X** If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe:

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes (if either B.1 or B.2 is checked “yes” below) No **X** (if both B.1 and B.2 are checked “no” below)

5. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?
Yes No **X** If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Explain:

6. If the route or route segment is in good²¹ condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable?
Yes No **X**

Explain: **With no known destination, there would be no reason to allow maintenance on route 003.**

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes No **X**

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).²²

²¹ Good condition would be a condition that ensures regular and continuous use relative to the purposes of the route. Consider whether the route can be clearly followed in the field over its entire course and whether all or any portion of the route contains any impediments to travel.

²² Include estimate of travel rates for the stated purposes, e.g., trips/day or week or month or season or year or even multiple years in some facility maintenance cases.

No traffic or tire tracks were seen during inventory process. Estimation was made that the route is only driven once every three months.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment²³ meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes = Wilderness Inventory Road No **X** = Not a road for wilderness inventory purposes

Explanation²⁴: **Due to the little use, lack of construction or maintenance route 003 is not considered a Wilderness Inventory Road.**

Evaluator(s): **Clint Mitchell**

Date: **07-08-2013**

WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS²⁵

(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road²⁶ for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes.)

²³ If part of the route meets the wilderness inventory road definition and the remainder does not, describe the segment meeting the definition and any remaining portion not meeting the definition and why.

²⁴ Describe and explain rationale for any discrepancies with citizen proposals.

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Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: **LWC Polygon 002**

Route or Route Segment²⁷ Name and/or Identifier: **004**

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

VII. LOCATION: Refer to attached map _____ and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: **A two track traveling north from BLM 2065 to the point 02-058.**

VIII. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose²⁸ (if any) of Route: (Examples: Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: **An overlook of Shell Creek can be accessed from BLM 2065 on route 004.**

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

10. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes No Unknown **X**

11. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

12. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

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Yes No Unknown or N/A **X**

Explain: **The road is used by the public regularly**

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

D. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:

Yes (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked “yes” below) No **X** (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes No **X**

Examples: Paved Bladed Graveled Roadside Berms Cut/Fill Other

Describe:

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No **X** If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe:

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes (if either B.1 or B.2 is checked “yes” below) No **X** (if both B.1 and B.2 are checked “no” below)

7. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?
Yes No **X** If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Explain:

8. If the route or route segment is in good²⁹ condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable?
Yes No **X**

Explain: **With the destination only being an overlook, there would be no reason to allow maintenance on this route.**

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes No **X**

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).³⁰

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³⁰ Include estimate of travel rates for the stated purposes, e.g., trips/day or week or month or season or year or even multiple years in some facility maintenance cases.

No traffic or new tire tracks was seen during the inventory process, leading to an estimation that the route is only driven few times during hunting season.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment³¹ meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes = Wilderness Inventory Road No **X** = Not a road for wilderness inventory purposes

Explanation³²: **Due to the little use, lack of construction or maintenance route 004 is not considered a Wilderness Inventory Road.**

Evaluator(s): **Clint Mitchell**

Date: **07-08-2013**

WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS³³

(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road³⁴ for wilderness characteristics

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c. Relatively regular and continuous use – Vehicular use that has occurred and will continue to occur on a relatively regular basis. Examples are: access roads for equipment to maintain a stock water tank or other established water sources, access roads to maintained recreation sites or facilities, or access roads to mining claims.

inventory purposes.)

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: **LWC Polygon 002**

Route or Route Segment³⁵ Name and/or Identifier: **005**

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

- IX.** LOCATION: Refer to attached map _____ and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: **Moffat county road 4S from the point 02-053 to BLM 2065**

X. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose³⁶ (if any) of Route: (Examples: Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: **Oil and gas operations can be accessed form county road 4S.**

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

13. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes **X** No Unknown

14. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW? **Moffat county holds a ROW on county road 4S.**

³⁵ If a portion of a route is found to meet the wilderness inventory road criteria (see Part III) and the remainder does not meet these criteria (e.g., a cherrystem road with a primitive route continuing beyond a certain point), identify each segment and explain the rationale for the separate findings under pertinent criteria.

³⁶ The purpose of a route is not a deciding factor in determining whether a route is a road for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes. The purpose of a route does provide context for factors on which such a determination may be based, particularly the question of whether maintenance of the route ensures relatively regular and continuous use. The purpose also helps to determine whether maintenance that may so far have been unnecessary to ensure such use would be approved by BLM when the need arises.

15. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes **X** No Unknown or N/A

Explain: **It appears that most of the traffic on county road 4S is from oil or gas operations.**

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

E. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:

Yes **X** (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked "yes" below) No (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked "no" below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes **X** No

Examples: Paved Bladed **X** Graveled Roadside Berms Cut/Fill **X** Other

Describe: **Use of a blade can be seen in the photo 02-050 (N). A hillside cut was also seen along the route.**

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No **X** If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe:

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes **X** (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

9. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?
Yes **X** No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine **X**

Explain: **The road was in good shape and lead to the assumption that the road had been graded within the last year.**

10. If the route or route segment is in good³⁷ condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable?
Yes **X** No

Explain: **Moffat county will maintain county road 4S.**

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes **X** No

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).³⁸

³⁷ Good condition would be a condition that ensures regular and continuous use relative to the purposes of the route. Consider whether the route can be clearly followed in the field over its entire course and whether all or any portion of the route contains any impediments to travel.

³⁸ Include estimate of travel rates for the stated purposes, e.g., trips/day or week or month or season or year or even multiple years in some facility maintenance cases.

One truck was seen during the inventory process and multiple tire tracks were seen leading to the estimation that county road 4S is driven once every other day.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment³⁹ meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes **X** = Wilderness Inventory Road
inventory purposes

No = Not a road for wilderness

Explanation⁴⁰: **Due to the mechanical construction, maintenance and regular use, county road 4S is considered a wilderness Inventory Road.**

Evaluator(s): **Clint Mitchell**

Date: **07-08-2013**

WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS⁴¹

(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road⁴² for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes.)

³⁹ If part of the route meets the wilderness inventory road definition and the remainder does not, describe the segment meeting the definition and any remaining portion not meeting the definition and why.

⁴⁰ Describe and explain rationale for any discrepancies with citizen proposals.

⁴¹ This form documents information that constitutes an inventory finding on wilderness characteristics. It does not represent a formal land use allocation or a final agency decision subject to administrative remedies under either 43 CFR parts 4 or 1610.5-3.

⁴² Road: An access route which has been improved and maintained by mechanical means to insure relatively regular and continuous use. A way maintained solely by the passage of vehicles does not constitute a road.

a. Improved and maintained – Actions taken physically by people to keep the road open to vehicle traffic. “Improved” does not necessarily mean formal construction. “Maintained” does not necessarily mean annual maintenance.

b. Mechanical means – Use of hand or power machinery or tools.

c. Relatively regular and continuous use – Vehicular use that has occurred and will continue to occur on a relatively regular basis. Examples are: access roads for equipment to maintain a stock water tank or other established water sources, access roads to maintained recreation sites or facilities, or access roads to mining claims.

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: **LWC Polygon 002**

Route or Route Segment⁴³ Name and/or Identifier: **006**

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

- XI.** LOCATION: Refer to attached map _____ and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: **A route on the south side of shell creek, traveling a short distance then fading out.**

XII. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose⁴⁴ (if any) of Route: (Examples: Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: **A primitive route traveling south of shell creek from county road 4S.**

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

16. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes No **X** Unknown

17. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

⁴³ If a portion of a route is found to meet the wilderness inventory road criteria (see Part III) and the remainder does not meet these criteria (e.g., a cherrystem road with a primitive route continuing beyond a certain point), identify each segment and explain the rationale for the separate findings under pertinent criteria.

⁴⁴ The purpose of a route is not a deciding factor in determining whether a route is a road for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes. The purpose of a route does provide context for factors on which such a determination may be based, particularly the question of whether maintenance of the route ensures relatively regular and continuous use. The purpose also helps to determine whether maintenance that may so far have been unnecessary to ensure such use would be approved by BLM when the need arises.

18. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?
Yes No Unknown or N/A

Explain:

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

F. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:

Yes (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked "yes" below) No ☒ (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked "no" below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes ☒ No

Examples: Paved Bladed ☒ Graveled Roadside Berms Cut/Fill ☒ Other

Describe: **Use of a blade can be seen in the photo 02-050 (N). A hillside cut was also seen along the route.**

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No **X** If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe:

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes (if either B.1 or B.2 is checked “yes” below) No **X** (if both B.1 and B.2 are checked “no” below)

11. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?
Yes No **X** If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Explain:

12. If the route or route segment is in good⁴⁵ condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable?
Yes No **X**

Explain: **The route appears to be user created and would not have any reason to be maintained.**

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes No **X**

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).⁴⁶

No traffic of tire tracks were seen during the inventory process, leading to an estimation that the route is driven four times during the hunting season.

⁴⁵ Good condition would be a condition that ensures regular and continuous use relative to the purposes of the route. Consider whether the route can be clearly followed in the field over its entire course and whether all or any portion of the route contains any impediments to travel.

⁴⁶ Include estimate of travel rates for the stated purposes, e.g., trips/day or week or month or season or year or even multiple years in some facility maintenance cases.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment⁴⁷ meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes = Wilderness Inventory Road No **X** = Not a road for wilderness inventory purposes

Explanation⁴⁸: **Due to the lack of mechanical construction, regular use or maintenance, route 006 is a primitive route.**

Evaluator(s): **Clint Mitchell**

Date: **07-08-2013**

WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS⁴⁹

(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road⁵⁰ for wilderness characteristics

⁴⁷ If part of the route meets the wilderness inventory road definition and the remainder does not, describe the segment meeting the definition and any remaining portion not meeting the definition and why.

⁴⁸ Describe and explain rationale for any discrepancies with citizen proposals.

⁴⁹ This form documents information that constitutes an inventory finding on wilderness characteristics. It does not represent a formal land use allocation or a final agency decision subject to administrative remedies under either 43 CFR parts 4 or 1610.5-3.

⁵⁰ Road: An access route which has been improved and maintained by mechanical means to insure relatively regular and continuous use. A way maintained solely by the passage of vehicles does not constitute a road.

a. Improved and maintained – Actions taken physically by people to keep the road open to vehicle traffic. “Improved” does not necessarily mean formal construction. “Maintained” does not necessarily mean annual maintenance.

b. Mechanical means – Use of hand or power machinery or tools.

c. Relatively regular and continuous use – Vehicular use that has occurred and will continue to occur on a relatively regular basis. Examples are: access roads for equipment to maintain a stock water tank or other established water sources, access roads to maintained recreation sites or facilities, or access roads to mining claims.

inventory purposes.)

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: **LWC Polygon 002**

Route or Route Segment⁵¹ Name and/or Identifier: **007**

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

XIII. LOCATION: Refer to attached map _____ and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: **Oil or gas roads that serve as the northern boundary of LWC polygon 02.**

XIV. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose⁵² (if any) of Route: (Examples: Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: **These roads allow access to oil or gas operations from a variety of roads. Most oil and gas access roads tie into Moffat County Road 4.**

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

19. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes **X** No Unknown

20. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW? **To allow access to oil or gas**

⁵¹ If a portion of a route is found to meet the wilderness inventory road criteria (see Part III) and the remainder does not meet these criteria (e.g., a cherrystem road with a primitive route continuing beyond a certain point), identify each segment and explain the rationale for the separate findings under pertinent criteria.

⁵² The purpose of a route is not a deciding factor in determining whether a route is a road for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes. The purpose of a route does provide context for factors on which such a determination may be based, particularly the question of whether maintenance of the route ensures relatively regular and continuous use. The purpose also helps to determine whether maintenance that may so far have been unnecessary to ensure such use would be approved by BLM when the need arises.

sites.

21. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?
Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown or N/A ☐

Explain: **Many oil or gas sites can be accessed from these roads.**

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

G. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:
Yes ☒ (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked "yes" below) No ☐ (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked "no" below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes ☐ No ☐

Examples: Paved ☐ Bladed ☐ ☒ Graveled ☒ Roadside Berms ☒ Cut/Fill ☐ Other ☐

Describe: **All oil or gas access roads have been constructed for use by heavy trucks.**

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No **X** If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe: **No improvements were seen during the inventory process but it is assumed and necessary improvements would be done if needed.**

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes **X** (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

13. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?
Yes **X** No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine **X**

Explain: **The roads to oil or gas sites have been graded and graveled, this is shown in the photo 02-054 (S)**

14. If the route or route segment is in good⁵³ condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable?
Yes **X** No

Explain **Access to oil or gas sites would be good reason to allow for maintenance.**

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes **X** No

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular

⁵³ Good condition would be a condition that ensures regular and continuous use relative to the purposes of the route. Consider whether the route can be clearly followed in the field over its entire course and whether all or any portion of the route contains any impediments to travel.

basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).⁵⁴

One tanker truck was seen during the inventory process along with many tracks, leading to an estimation that the roads are driven once weekly.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment⁵⁵ meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes **X** = Wilderness Inventory Road
inventory purposes

No = Not a road for wilderness

Explanation⁵⁶: **All roads to active oil or gas sites are Wilderness Inventory Roads due to mechanical construction, maintenance and heavy use.**

Evaluator(s): **Clint Mitchell**

Date: **07-08-2013**

WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS⁵⁷

(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road⁵⁸ for wilderness characteristics

⁵⁴ Include estimate of travel rates for the stated purposes, e.g., trips/day or week or month or season or year or even multiple years in some facility maintenance cases.

⁵⁵ If part of the route meets the wilderness inventory road definition and the remainder does not, describe the segment meeting the definition and any remaining portion not meeting the definition and why.

⁵⁶ Describe and explain rationale for any discrepancies with citizen proposals.

⁵⁷ This form documents information that constitutes an inventory finding on wilderness characteristics. It does not represent a formal land use allocation or a final agency decision subject to administrative remedies under either 43 CFR parts 4 or 1610.5-3.

⁵⁸ Road: An access route which has been improved and maintained by mechanical means to insure relatively regular and continuous use. A way maintained solely by the passage of vehicles does not constitute a road.

a. Improved and maintained – Actions taken physically by people to keep the road open to vehicle traffic. “Improved” does not necessarily mean formal construction. “Maintained” does not necessarily mean annual maintenance.

inventory purposes.)

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: **LWC Polygon 002**

Route or Route Segment⁵⁹ Name and/or Identifier: **008**

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

- XV. LOCATION:** Refer to attached map _____ and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: **County Road 10 from the intersection with 10N; traveling south until state/private land is reached at sugarloaf butte.**

XVI. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose⁶⁰ (if any) of Route: (Examples: Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: **Moffat County road 10 connects highway 318 to Baggs Wyoming traveling through Irish Canyon.**

b. Mechanical means – Use of hand or power machinery or tools.

c. Relatively regular and continuous use – Vehicular use that has occurred and will continue to occur on a relatively regular basis. Examples are: access roads for equipment to maintain a stock water tank or other established water sources, access roads to maintained recreation sites or facilities, or access roads to mining claims.

⁵⁹ If a portion of a route is found to meet the wilderness inventory road criteria (see Part III) and the remainder does not meet these criteria (e.g., a cherrystem road with a primitive route continuing beyond a certain point), identify each segment and explain the rationale for the separate findings under pertinent criteria.

⁶⁰ The purpose of a route is not a deciding factor in determining whether a route is a road for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes. The purpose of a route does provide context for factors on which such a determination may be based, particularly the question of whether maintenance of the route ensures relatively regular and continuous use. The purpose also helps to determine whether maintenance that may so far have been unnecessary to ensure such use would be approved by BLM when the need arises.

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

22. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown ☐

23. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW? **Moffat County will hold a ROW on County road 10.**

24. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown or N/A ☐

Explain: **The road is used by the public regularly**

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

H. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:

Yes ☒ (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked "yes" below) No ☐ (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked "no" below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes ☒ No ☐

Examples: Paved ☐ Bladed ☐ Graveled ☒ Roadside Berms ☒ Cut/Fill ☒ Other ☐

Describe: **County road 10 is a major road that has been mechanically constructed.**

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes **X** No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine **X**

Examples: Culverts **X** Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage **X** Barriers Other

Describe: **Drainage structures can be seen along county road 10.**

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes **X** (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

15. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?
Yes **X** No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine **X**

Explain: **County road 10 had recently been graded and sprayed to prevent dust and erosion.**

16. If the route or route segment is in good⁶¹ condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable?
Yes **X** No

Explain **Moffat county will continue to maintain county road 10**

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes **X** No

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).⁶²

⁶¹ Good condition would be a condition that ensures regular and continuous use relative to the purposes of the route. Consider whether the route can be clearly followed in the field over its entire course and whether all or any portion of the route contains any impediments to travel.

⁶² Include estimate of travel rates for the stated purposes, e.g., trips/day or week or month or season or year or even multiple years in some facility maintenance cases.

Traffic was seen on county road 10 during the inventory process leading to an estimation that the road sees 20 trips per day.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment⁶³ meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A *and* III.B *and* III.C all checked yes)?

Yes **X** = Wilderness Inventory Road
inventory purposes

No = Not a road for wilderness

Explanation⁶⁴: **Due to the heavy use and good condition, County Road 10 is a Wilderness Inventory Road.**

Evaluator(s): **Clint Mitchell**

Date: **07-08-2013**

⁶³ If part of the route meets the wilderness inventory road definition and the remainder does not, describe the segment meeting the definition and any remaining portion not meeting the definition and why.

⁶⁴ Describe and explain rationale for any discrepancies with citizen proposals.

02-001 (SE)



02-02 (SE)



02-003 (N)



02-004 (N)



02-005 (E)



02-006 (NE)



02-007 (E)



02-007 (W)



02-008 (S)



02-009 (N) (2)



02-009 (N)



02-010 (W)



02-052 (W)



02-050 (N)



02-050 (E)



02-054 (S)



02-055 (S)



02-055 (W)



02-056 (S)



02-057 (W)



02-058 (N)



02-060 (E)



02-059 (S)



02-059 (N)



02-060 (W)



02-061 (NE)



02-062 (N)



02-062 (S)



02-063 (E)



02-063 (W)



02-064 (S)



02-065 (NW)



02-064 (N)



02-066 (N)



02-067 (E)



02-068 (N)



02-069 (NE)



02-070 (NE)



Vermillion Creek

